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Nevada State College Ambassador GEAR UP Abstract 2012-2013

The Nevada State College GEAR UP program will work in connection with the State GEAR UP team and provide guidance to students, parents, and school counselors for the middle schools selected to participate in the State of Nevada GEAR UP program. Under the supervision of Dr. Neil Woolf and Ms. Ashley Sylvester, the GEAR UP Ambassador will work with faculty and full-time student affairs staff to deliver workshops, presentations, and literature to students and parents regarding students' personal and career interests, preparation for college, and the college admissions and financial aid processes.

The GEAR UP Ambassador and NSC staff will assist GEAR UP by creating a college-going culture in order for students to understand and appreciate the benefits of post-secondary education and the attainment of a college degree. This culture will be impacted through the regular and purposeful interactions between the GEAR UP Ambassador and the middle schools assigned.

Specifically, the GEAR UP Ambassador program at NSC will utilize student-parent involvement facilitators, teachers, counselors, and principals at the schools to provide necessary training to middle school personnel to ensure that they too are creating an expectation of college attendance. NSC will maintain a regular presence at the middle and high schools and have weekly contact through various and appropriate communication mediums with the students and their families.

Our ultimate goal is to enhance students' and families' awareness and knowledge of the processes required to go to college as well as have them as prepared as possible for the journey. NSC understands that to be successful in college, students first must be successful in middle school and then high school. The efforts of the GEAR UP Ambassador and NSC staff will complement the efforts of the State of Nevada GEAR UP program by preparing students for academic success at all levels.